

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1895.

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

Banks.

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF
INDIA, LIMITED.
AUTORISED CAPITAL £1,500,000
SUBSCRIBED £1,185,000
PAID-UP £662,500

BANKERS:
LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED.

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNTS at the Rate of 2 per cent.
per annum on the Daily Balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 12 Months 5 per cent.
" 3 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

JOHN THURBURN,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 18th June, 1894.

THE BANK OF CHINA, JAPAN, AND
THE STRAITS, LIMITED.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £2,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP £1,093,150

BANKERS:
CAPITAL & COUNTIES BANK, LIMITED.

HEAD OFFICE:
No. 3, PRINCE'S STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES:
BOMBAY, CALCUTTA, HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI.

AGENCIES:
PENANG, SINGAPORE AND YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF INTEREST,
ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNTS
and Fixed Deposits can be ascertained
on application.

Every description of Banking and Exchange
business transacted.

CHANTREY INCHBALD,
Manager.
Hongkong, 6th November, 1893.

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorized Capital £1,000,000
Subscribed Capital £500,000

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:
D. Gillies, Esq. Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
H. Stolterfoht, Esq. Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.

Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PIAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months: Fixed, 5 per Cent.
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1893.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE:—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £75,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the Rate of a per cent. per
annum on the Daily Balances.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 5 per cent.
" 6 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "

A. C. MARSHALL,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1894.

Insurances.

SOUTH BRITISH FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY OF
NEW ZEALAND.

THE Undersigned are prepared to accept
FIRE AND MARINE INSURANCES on
favourable terms.

Current rates, and a guaranteed Bonus equal
to that paid by the local Offices.

S. J. DAVID & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1894.

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333-33
EQUAL TO \$318,000-00
RESERVE FUND \$318,000-00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. LO YEEU MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER.—HO AMEL.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST.
Hongkong, 17th December, 1894.

NOTICE.
THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSEUNG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE.

No. 8, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 10th May, 1894.

Intimations.

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will
be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on FRIDAY,
the 1st of March, at NOON, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the General Manager,
with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December,
1894, and to declare a dividend, and elect a
Controlling Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 27th of February to
the 1st March, both days inclusive.

GEO. FENWICK,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1895.

THE HONGKONG BRICK AND CEMENT
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will
be held in the Office of the COMPANY, No. 9,
Praya Central, on SATURDAY, the 2nd March,
1895, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors and State-
ment of Accounts to the 31st October, 1894.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 16th instant to the
and proximo (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,

W. A. DUFF,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 15th February, 1895.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 7 PER CENT. per
SHARE for the 6 Months ending 31st
December, 1894, DECLARED at Monday's
Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be PAYABLE at
the Premises of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION on and after TUES-
DAY, the 10th February, and Shareholders
are requested to apply for DIVIDEND
WARRANTS at the Company's Office, No. 14,
Praya Central.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 18th February, 1895.

WANTED.

A POSITION of TRUST in a MERCHANT
or BUSINESS HOUSE by a Gentleman of
good address, thorough knowledge of SIX
EUROPEAN LANGUAGES, "viz.: ENGLISH,
FRENCH, ITALIAN, GREEK, ARABIC and
SPANISH," and considerable experience of
HOTEL MANAGEMENT. Coast Ports not
objected to. Highest References.
Address in first instance to

A. B. C.
c/o Hongkong Telegraph Office.
Hongkong, 4th February, 1895.

LACTOPEPTINE.

LACTOMALTINE.

PEPSINE SALTS.

PEPSINE TABLOIDS.

ZYFINE TABLOIDS.

TO BE HAD AT THE

"PHARMACY,"

FLETCHER & Co.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1895.

"DERMATOL."

MANUFACTURED by FABERWERKE,
HOCHST, a/m; its effect in stimulating
the closing up of WOUNDS, and in internal
administration against diarrhoea, is described as
amazing.

D. R. KNOOR'S
LION BRAND
ANTIPYRINE.

(Dose for ADULTS is 15 GRAINS TROY.)

Is the most approved and most efficacious
remedy in cases of HEADACHE, MIGRAINE,
NEURALGIA, RHEUMATISM, FEVER,
TYPHUS, INFLUENZA, DENGUE, ERYSP-
PELAS, HOOPING COUGH, and many other
complaints. It is also the very best Antiseptic.
Highly recommended by the Medical Faculty.
Ask for DR. KNOOR'S ANTIPYRINE! Each
Tab. bears the Inventor's signature "DR.
KNOOR" in red letters.

To be had at every reputed Chemist and
Druggist.

Supplies constantly on hand at the China
Export Import and Bank Comptagale.

Beware of spurious imitations.

Hongkong, 9th April, 1895.

AN APPEAL.

THE SUPERIORITY of the ITALIAN
CONVENT, CANO ROAD, begs most
respectfully to APPEAL to the Residents of
Hongkong and the Coast Ports, for their kind
patronage and support, and desires to state that
she will be pleased to receive orders for all
kinds of NEEDLE WORK.

Government's Shirts made to order, and Cuffs
and Collars renewed on old ones.

Ladies' and Children's Under-clothing,
Children's Dresses, and all kinds of Embroidery,
Materials can be supplied, if required.

The Superiority will also be most grateful for
any PAPER, or old ENVELOPES to be made into
Books for the Children of the Poor Schools, who
are taught by the Sisters.

Hongkong, 22nd April, 1895.

TO SHIPMASTERS.

STEAM WATER-BOAT COMPANY.
THE Undersigned are prepared to SUPPLY
on shortest notice any quantity of PURE
FRESH FILTERED WATER for both DECK
and BOILERS.

The only Company in Hongkong exclusively
Supplying FILTERED WATER.
Despatch Guaranteed. Call for "W."
Hongkong, 1st April, 1895.

REGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER
Always on Hand.

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Intimations.

BELL'S ASBESTOS EASTERN
AGENCY, LIMITED.

28, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

ASBESTOS PACKINGS of every description.

ASBESTOS SHEETINGS, MILLBOARDS, &c.

ASBESTOS non-conducting Composition for COVERING BOILERS
and STEAM PIPES.

CANVAS CORE PACKING (Tuck Form).

SPECIAL ENGINE and CYLINDER OILS.

ALSO

ASBESTOLINE, the most economical lubricant. One pound equal to 5 gallons of OIL.

Messrs. BELL'S ASBESTOS Co. received the only Gold Medal awarded to the trade International
Invention's Exhibition and the only Medal at Antwerp Exhibition, 1894.

ALL GOODS BEARING TRADE MARK GUARANTEED.

Hongkong, 7th February, 1895.

CENTRAL HOTEL, SHANGHAI.

Telegraphic Address:—
CENTRAL,
the Premises.

ONE PRINTING MACHINE, ONE
CUTTING MACHINE and ONE
PRESS-NUMBER MACHINE with the latest
improvements. All the Machines are quite
new.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

HAVING take over the BUSINESS of the
late Mr. FR. RAPP, I have this Day
established myself as

AUCTIONEER, APPRAISER
AND

COMMISSION AGENT.

PAUL BREWITT,

No. 2, Zealand Street.

Hongkong, 1st February, 1895.

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XOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HAL, Zealand Street, on WEDNESDAY, the
27th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brothers are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1895.

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ZETLAND LODGE, No. 525, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HAL, Zealand Street, on FRIDAY, the 1st
March, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting
Brothers are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1895.

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A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'
HAL, Zealand Street, on FRIDAY, the 1st

Notices.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK &
COMPANY, LIMITED.
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.

COLDE IN THE HEAD, &c.

BURBOURG'S WELLCOME & Co.'s
PINOL EUCALYPTIA INHALERS.

ONE of the best remedies extant for Nasal
Catarrh and all disorders of the Nasal
Passages and Nasopharyngeal membranes.

Price \$1.25.

EUCALYPTUS OIL.

A STANDARD REMEDY FOR COLDS.
Smeared on the handkerchief and over the
breast of the night clothing it gives almost
instant relief.

Price \$1.00 and 50 Cents.

DAKIN, CRUCKSHANK & Co., Ltd.,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 10th January, 1895.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,
L I M I T E D.
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

ALL these are Selected by our London
House, bought direct at first hand,
imported in Wood and Bottled by ourselves;
thus saving all intermediate profits and enabling
us to supply the best growths at moderate
prices.

PRICE LIST, WITH FULL DETAILS, TO BE HAD
ON APPLICATION.

POINT:—After removal should be rested a
month before use. When required for
Aptilite at once it should be ordered to be
deposited at the Dispensary before being
sent out.

SHERRY:—Excellent dinner and after dinner
Wines, of very superior vintage. All are
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET:—Our Clarets, including the lowest
priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine
product of the juice of the grape and are not
artificially made from raisins and currents,
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY:—All our Brandy is guaranteed to
be pure Cognac, the difference in price
being merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY:—All our Whisky is of excellent
quality and of greater age than most brands
in the market. The Scotch Whisky marked
"E" is universally popular and is pro-
nounced by the best local connoisseurs to
be superior to any other brand in the
Hongkong Market.

We only guarantee our Wines and Spirits to
be genuine when bought direct from us in the
Colony or from our authorised Agents at the
Court Paris.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Hongkong, 9th January, 1895.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1895.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB RACE
MEETING, 1895.

Stewards:—His Excellency Sir William
Robinson, K.C.M.G.; His Excellency Vice-
Admiral the Hon. Sir E. R. Fremantle, K.C.B.;
His Excellency Major-General Digby Barker,
C.B.; Commodore Boyes, R.N.; Colonel
Macdonell, R.A.; Colonel Mulloy, R.E.; Lieut-
Colonel St. Paul, The Rifle Brigade; Lieut-
Colonel Barrow, Hongkong Regiment; The
Hon. C. P. Chater; A. Coxon, Esq.; R. M.
Gray, Esq.; H. E. Hobson, Esq.; The Hon.
J. J. Kreswick; D. Gillies, Esq.; J. D. Grote,
Esq.; J. D. Humphreys, Esq.; T. Jackson, Esq.
Clerk of Scales:—H. E. Hobson, Esq.

Judge:—The Hon. C. P. Chater.

Start:—M. Grote, Esq.

End Start:—A. Balfington, Esq.

Hon. Treasurer:—J. C. Peter, Esq.

Acting Clerk of the Course:—Hart Buck, Esq.

OFF DAY, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23RD.

As usual on 'off days' the attendance in the
enclosure was very large, and despite the
threatening outlook of the weather the whole line
of rails was crowded with spectators. The first
saddling bell rang at two o'clock, and ten
events had to be contested. The first on the
programme was the "Lunna" Cup, presented
by the owner of the horse of that name, for
unplaced subscription griffins, distance seven
furlongs. Five competitors came to the post,
and Gibraltar, well handled by Mr. Sar pico,
won a fine race by a length and a half from
Bonus, who, in turn, beat Nixouts by a length.
The "Black Velvet" Cup, contested by five
competitors—Celt, Surprise, Voltigeur, Warlock,
and Harfang—was the most exciting race of the
day. Harfang and Celt were running neck and
neck together until the straight was approached,
when Warlock, carefully nursed by Cruckshank,

came with a terrific rush, and in a ding-dong
finish, which caused intense excitement, resulted
in a head victory for the popular colours,
"dark blue and silver braid." Harfang, well
ridden by Fullerton, was a good third.

For the Visitors' Cup, valued at \$200, a field
of five faced the straiter, and Chesa, who held a

commanding lead on entering the straight, won
by a length and a quarter from Blue Ribbon and
Beaconsfield in a neck race. The Morrison Cup,
presented by Capt. A. H. Thomas, D.A.A.G., for all
horses subscription griffins, brought out a
field of five. Pickalnny, Mr. Master up, was
installed a hot favourite, with the overrated
Dlogen, second in demand. The race, which
moved to the most excitingly, laid out a most
desirable issue resulting in the "spotted"
Pickalnny being bowled over by a short
lead. Dlogen's victory was a very popular
one. The "A" Cup, presented by a member
from Shanghai, produced four
runners. To an indifferent star, The
Rake made play, followed by Harfang and
Dandy, Glengairn being left in the ruck. In
the back straight, The Rake, who collapsed,
was passed by Dandy and Glengairn, and
the former, who was full of running, laded
first in 1 min. 57 sec. The Hongkong
Steeplechase, which brought out eight timber-
toppers, resulted in a win for Alaric, who nearly
threw Mr. Gresson, who was very nearly
thrown over his pony's head at the Black
Rock fence on the journey home; answered
his pilot's call gamely and shooting ahead of
Magic led up the back straight and closely
pursued by Voltigeur cleared his jump in
admirable style, and won by four lengths, a
good third.

Mr. Gresson's Alaric, 1st 1b. Mr. Gresson
Mr. Fourman's Magic, 1st 1b. Mr. Staley
Mr. J. D. Humphreys' Voltigeur, 1st 1b.

Mr. Cruckshank's Gungadeen, 1st 1b.

Mr. Powell's Blackbird, 1st 1b. Mr. Power

Mr. May's Pirate, 1st 1b. Mr. Jones

Mr. Landale's Endeavour, 1st 1b.

Mr. Babington's Bag, 1st 1b. Mr. Salmon

Passing the Stand the first time round
Voltigeur was leading, closely attended by
Magic and Alaric, the others hopelessly out of
the heat. Then Alaric, capably ridden through-
out by Mr. Gresson (who was very nearly
thrown over his pony's head at the Black
Rock fence on the journey home), answered
his pilot's call gamely and shooting ahead of
Magic led up the back straight and closely
pursued by Voltigeur cleared his jump in
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It is worthy of note in connection with the
Derby that Mr. David's Scot would undoubtedly
have contested first honours with the over-rated
Black Velvet had he been at the post in good
order. Unfortunately this fine specimen of
Mongolian horses had not been able to lay
down for three days prior to the race, and under
the circumstances, seeing that he ran the race
practically on three legs only, he must be
regarded as a pony with a great future before
the start. The Telegraph will watch his career with
interest.

The races now being over, a word or two of
praise in respect of the police arrangements
will not be out of place. Nothing could
have exceeded the orderly conduct of the
vast crowds, both inside and outside the
Enclosure, and from the time when the first
saddling bell rang till the numbers were run up
for the last race of the day, there was, we under-
stand, not the slightest cause of any complaint in
any shape or form. Nothing happened that could
in any way injuriously affect the tender
susceptibilities of even the most rabid Exeter Hall
fanatic. The Capt. Superintendent of Police (Mr.
F. H. May), Mr. G. Horstow (Deputy Super-
intendent), Chief Inspector Mathison, and
Inspectors Quincey, Tennessee, Kenn, Bottin
and Acting Inspector Baker are the officers to
whom the public is undoubtedly indebted for the
performance of arduous duties in an admirable
manner.

The Rake made the running from Harfang and
Dandy, Glengairn, who was fairly left at the
post at the start, bringing up the flanks. In the back
straight Dandy took the lead for about 100 yards
and then fell back, while Glengairn came up and
easily passing The Rake, who collapsed before
the hump up the hill commenced, challenged
the leader, and a fine struggle past the village
ended in Dandy, who was well ridden throughout
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In view of the practical politics of the day, of course, "all's well that ends well," and if Li Hung-chang's mission meets with success all who have important commercial interests at stake in the Far East will have cause to rejoice that their business will not be prejudicially affected during the busy season now so close at hand.

MILITARY EXACTION.

The Singapore Free Press. In its last number makes the following forcible and equitable appeal for intercession in regard to their proportionate share of military taxation.

In the passage quoted below the public of this Colony may find matter for immense wonder that a Government of a people that can afford itself such ultraluxuries, should come to deplete itself in the name of those very people, to "corner" a half-bless Colony and "sneak" its revenues to defray the Imperial expenses of those luxuriant abductions.

Mr. Henry C. Burdett, dating from the Lodge, Rochester Square, W. (31st Dec.), writes to the *Spectator*, as follows:—

I could wish that the *Spectator* would add the weight of its most convincing and sober authority in favour of the statement that "English charity was never in a healthier or more progressive condition than at the present time." The force and truth of this assertion is emphasized by the circumstance that the total sum expended annually in charitable gifts is not £7,000,000 as you suppose, but upwards of £10,000,000, the £7,000,000 I mentioned in my letter to the *Times* only representing the income of the greater charities which have their head-quarters in London. If we include all English charities, then the income is probably not far short of from £15,000,000 to £20,000,000 per annum, a sum so immense as to make most men wonder. All men of knowledge and authority declare that if overtaxing could be prevented, as it can be, then the income of English charities is large enough to provide adequately for the needs of the whole population whose necessities require relief or succour during some portion of each year.

As to the funds for our Missions alone raised in the metropolis the following paragraph from the *Globe* is instructive:—

An insight into the disproportionate popularity of the various forms of charity is afforded by an editor's note to the twentieth edition of the *Classified Directory* to the Metropolitan Charities, of which we have received an advance copy. Foreign missions are to enjoy the greatest popularity, with a total of just under a million sterling. Home missions rank next, with three-quarters of a million, which is exactly £100,000 more than given to all the hospitals, special and missions, in sum total. Institutions for education and instruction are low down on the list, with £20,000; and nursing institutions are next best, with £12,000. Evidently the adage that "charity begins at home" is far from being generally accepted.

This Colony, help by war, should have on the above grounds a fair claim to a just and charitable appreciation of its appeal for sympathy. But when all this treasure is being poured out like water, some of it for real good, some of it for comparatively unimportant objects, it is difficult to see why Colony should be financially enabled to pay the piper military expenses of a nation capable of such pecuniary gush.

THE MERCHANT SHIPPING (CERTIFIED OFFICERS) BILL.

We have been favoured with a copy of the above-named Bill, which was introduced in the House of Commons by Messrs. Neville, Wilton and W. F. D. Smith and will, we understand, shortly be read a second time in Parliament. The chief clauses in the Bill are:—

(1) No British ship in the foreign trade, and no "British ship" requiring or holding a passenger certificate, whether in the home or foreign trade, shall go to sea from any port in the United Kingdom or elsewhere unless the master theron and the first, second and third mates, or only mate (as the case may be), have obtained and possess valid certificates of competency or service appropriate to their several stations in such ship, or of a higher grade, and no home-trade ship exceeding 50 tons burthen, and not requiring or holding a passenger certificate, shall go to sea as aforesaid unless at least the master has obtained and possesses a valid certificate. It being the express object of this enactment only ships of 50 tons burthen and under, and not holding or requiring a passenger certificate, and trading within the home-trade limit, shall be exempt from this section; and every person who, having been engaged to serve as master, or first, second, or third, or only mate of any such ship, goes to sea as so called as such master or mate without being at the time entitled to and possessed of such a certificate, as hereinbefore required, or who employs any person as master or first, or second, or third, or only mate of any ship as aforesaid, without ascertaining that he is at the time entitled to and possessed of such a certificate, shall incur a penalty not exceeding fifty pounds. For the purpose of this section, the appropriate certificate for all vessels within home-trade limits shall be the home-trade passenger certificate.

(2) No British ship of 500 tons net register tonnage or upwards shall proceed to sea unless it carries a master, first mate, and second mate, each of whom has obtained and possesses a valid certificate of competency or service appropriate to their several stations in such ship, or of a higher grade; and, in the case of British vessels of 1,000 tons net registered tonnage and upwards, unless it carries, in addition to these a third mate who has obtained and possesses a certificate valid for the grade of second mate or a higher grade.

(3) From and after the commencement of this Act no certificate of competency or service as master, mate, or engineer shall be issued to any person other than a British subject.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The following telegrams from our San Francisco exchanges were "crowded out" of last Thursday night's issue:—

LONDON, January 22nd.

It is officially stated that the British Consulate at Hawaii is maintaining an absolutely neutral attitude, and it is added that there is no foundation for the report that the Royalists, when they rebelled early this month, were assured by him that if they held the palace for three hours Great Britain would recognise them as the Government.

NEW YORK, January 22nd.

The *Herald's* Washington correspondent telegraphs: The need of a vessel on the Pacific Coast near the boundary line of Mexico and Guatemala, owing to the disturbed condition of affairs between those two countries growing out of the boundary line dispute, is making itself apparent to the officials. There are two vessels ready for this duty, the *Bennington* and *Ranger*, with the chances in favor of the latter.

The Administration has another reason for deciding that a vessel should be stationed in this vicinity. According to reports received in the Bureau of Naval Intelligence the British Government has the protected cruisers *Royal Arthur*, *Champion*, *Satellite* and *Nymph* at Acapulco, Mexico, within easy steaming distance of the disputed territory.

There is no fear that the British men-of-war will interfere, but it is considered safer for the preservation of the "Monroe" doctrine that an American vessel should be at hand.

The *Bennington*, if she does not remain at this station, will possibly go along the Pacific coast of South America, stopping especially at ports in Peru, where a more serious condition of affairs exists than generally supposed.

CITY OF MEXICO, January 22nd.

There is an interesting story in circulation regarding the probable outbreak of war between Mexico and Guatemala, which is to the effect that General Diaz, President of the Mexican Republic, will take command of the forces on the frontier in person. This report is widely spread in official circles and is not, without the range of possibility.

In higher circles it is held that General Diaz will not leave his seat as Chief Executive, at least not until his presence is imperatively demanded at the front.

The general opinion of those close to the Executive is that he will place the command finally in the hands of one of three men to push the Guatemalan invasion. Those three officers are General Bernardo Reyes, Governor of the State of Nuevo Leon and General of division of the Mexican army; General Jose Vincente Villado, Governor of the State of Mexico and General of brigade, and General Lourdes Torres Governor of the State of Sonora and General of brigade. Of these three it is pretty well known that the choice of the President in General Reyes, who is also understood to be the favorite of General Diaz as his successor as chief executive of the republic. The Guatemalan war will give the President an excellent opportunity to bring out his protégé and push him well forward in public favor.

RUSSELL, January 22nd.

A bomb was exploded yesterday evening in a crowded *Café* at Jumet, near Charleroi. Much damage was done to buildings and a panic followed. Nobody was seriously injured.

NEW YORK, January 22nd.

The *Herald's* Paris correspondent cables: The causes that led to the resignation of Casimir-Perier are still being discussed by everybody, but none of the theories or surmises advanced appear to be anywhere near the truth. I have the following details from a close friend of the family of the ex-President, and although I believe that they are true, I give them under all possible reservations, in order not to wound an honored and respected family: The real cause of the resignation of M. Casimir-Perier, according to my informant, was not at all political, but a purely private character. He is on the point of seeking to obtain a divorce from Mme. Casimir-Perier, and the cause for this is already of long standing. As a matter of fact the first step in the proceedings had already been taken by Casimir-Perier's lawyer when he became President of the public. At that time his mother intervened and her supplications induced him to accept the high office to which he was called, in hopes that the political and public life he and his wife would be forced to lead would put an end to their disagreements. But their misunderstandings became worse, and when M. Casimir-Perier found the joys of political power did not compensate him for his domestic annoyances, when his intimate friend, Burdeau, died, and when his other friend, M. Raynal, was wounded down by the Chamber of Deputies he and his wife would be forced to lead would put an end to their disagreements. But their misunderstandings became worse, and when M. Casimir-Perier found the joys of political power did not compensate him for his domestic annoyances, when his intimate friend, Burdeau, died, and when his other friend, M. Raynal, was wounded down by the Chamber of Deputies he and his wife would be forced to lead would put an end to their disagreements. 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LATEST QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.—146 per cent.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on £8,000.
The Commercial Bank, Ltd., sellers.
The National Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders
shares nominal.
The Bank of China, Ltd., & the Straits, Ltd.—
shares.
The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—
shares, buyers.
CHINESE LOANS.
China and the Loan of 1886 £11 per cent.

MARINE INSURANCES.
United Maritime Society of Canton—\$150 per
share, sellers.
China Maritime Insurance Company—\$64 per
share, buyers.
North China Insurance—Tls. 210 per share,
buyers.
Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$155 per
share, buyers.
Yangtze Insurance Association—\$88, buyers.
On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tls. 15
per share.

The Straits Insurance Co., Ltd.—\$24 per share
buyers.

Fire INSURANCES.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$189 per
share, buyers.
China Fire Insurance Company—\$83 per share,
buyers.
The Straits Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., \$2 per
share, buyers.

SHIPPING.
Hawthorn, Leslie, & Co.—Macao Steamship Co.—
shares, sellers.
China and Manila Steam Ship Company—\$66,
sellers.
India-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—
\$37, sellers.

DRYERS.
Dowdeswell & Co.—Preference—\$150 per
share, sellers.

China Mutual Shippers, Ltd.—(Preference)—
shares, nominal.

China Mutual Shippers, Co., Ltd.—(Ordinary)—
\$1 per share, nominal.

REFINERS.
China China Refining Company, Limited—\$150
per share, sellers.

Lung Lung Refining Company, Limited—\$48,
sellers.

MINING.
China Gold Co.—(Ordinary)—\$64 per share,
buyers.

China Gold Co.—(Preference)—\$1.90 per
share, buyers.

China Gold and Gold Mining Co., Limited—
\$41 per
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Mr. J. A. E. Chaudet. Major and Mrs. Moon.
Mr. H. Crombie. Mr. 12. Robertson.
Mr. R. P. Dipple. Mr. Sandlands.
Mr. J. Dowling. Mr. and Mrs. Sansom.
Mr. D. Farquharson. Mr. F. H. Slagbake.
Mr. & Mrs. A. Findlay. Mr. A. Smith.
Smith and family. Mr. A. B. Snartow.
Mr. W. S. Harrison. Mr. A. P. Stokes.
Mr. Geo. Holmes. Mrs. and Mrs. Walling.

MAILES EXPECTED.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Peru*, with
mails, &c., left San Francisco for this port, via
Yokohama and Nagasaki, on the 2nd instant.
THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ravena*,
with the outward English mail, left Singapore on
the 19th instant, and may be expected here
to-morrow.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer
Empress of Japan, from Vancouver on the 1st
instant, left Yokohama on the 10th for Kobe,
Shanghai and Hongkong.

NORTHERN PACIFIC MAIL.

The Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer
Silk, from Victoria on the 6th instant, leaves
Yokohama to-morrow (24th), for Hongkong.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s steamer
Empress of India, from Victoria on the 1st
instant, left Singapore on the 10th for Manila,
Canton, and the Straits, General—D. Lapraik
& Co.

LIGHTNING.

The British steamer, 1,182, F. D. Goddard,
21st Feb.—Foochow 17th Feb., Amoy 18th
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HALIFAX.

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